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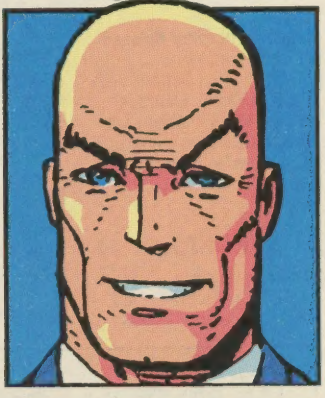

Bizarre Heroes

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Titles on sale the first week of December

AKIRA #33 $3.95
Otomo with Duffy & Oliff
Tetsuo and Kaneda battle it out over Akira while the Sol Satellite devastates much of Tokyo! EPIC

AVENGERS WEST COAST #79 $1.25
Thomas/ Ross/ Dzon
INFAMOUS MONSTERS OF FILMLAND - PART 4 (OF 4)
Doctor Strange rushes to the aid of the West Coast Avengers against the double danger of Satannish and the Night Shift--but will he be too late?

CAPTAIN AMERICA #397 $1.25
Gruenwald/Levins/ Bulanadi
HEART OF THE VIPER - PART 4 (OF 4)
The Red Skull, Cutthroat and the Viper imperil Capt. America, and Diamondback faces Crossbones in this dramatic conclusion.

CAPTAIN CONFEDERACY #4 $1.95
Shetterly/Stone
Captain Confederacy and Kid Dixie finally discover the secret agenda for the Super Hero conference, but now their whole world is in danger! EPIC

DAREDEVIL #301 $1.25
Chichester/Weeks/Williamson
Crime abhors a vacuum, and so the Owl moves in to take over as crimelord of New York following the fall of the Kingpin.

DARKHAWK #12 $1.25
Fingeroth/Manley/ Villagran
HEART OF THE HAWK - PART 3 (OF 6)
Tombstone tears the amulet from Darkhawk's chest, preventing him from turning back into Chris Powell, just as Chris's father returns and his mother faces her nemesis, Bazin!

EXCALIBUR SPECIAL EDITION $4.95
Lobdell/Lim, Larsen, Leonardi, Fry,, Turner, Janson, Guice, Palmer and Rubinstein
Cover by Walt Simonson
Fan favorite artists galore illustrate the tale when Excalibur takes on the re-created Air-Walker, a robot determined to destroy all life on Earth for his master, Galactus! **Meanwhile, a new hero joins the team in *Excalibur* #47.**

HELLRAISER #10 $1.50
Painted/embossed cover by Bill Sienkiewicz
1) Devils Brigade Part 6: One True Faith
Vince/ Barruso
Balberith of Leviathan seeks to corrupt an idealistic priest.
2) Devils Brigade Part 7: Commitment
Chichester & McDuffie/ McMahon
A health worker seeks a cure for AIDS, but his wish is not fulfilled the way he had hoped.
3) The Sweet Science
Saltzgaber/ Zeck/ Zimmelman
A fighter finds the ultimate challenge when he faces the Cenobites. EPIC

HOOK BOOKSHELF SPECIAL $5.95
Vess/ Lago, Rodier, Cool/ Vess
The full-color comics adaptation of the hit Christmas movie starring Dustin Hoffman, Robin Williams and Julia Roberts. Peter Pan has left Never-Never Land, but his old nemesis, Captain Hook, follows him to New York City.

HOOK SUPER SPECIAL $2.95
Vess/ Lago, Rodier, Cool/ Vess
For you completists - the comics magazine adaptation of the hit Christmas movie starring Dustin Hoffman, Robin Williams and Julia Roberts. Peter Pan has left Never-Never Land, but his old nemesis, Captain Hook, follows him to New York City.

NAMOR, THE SUB-MARINER #23 $1.25
Byrne/Wiacek
Wolverine guest-stars as the long running mystery of Iron Fist's rival, policeman Tyrone King, is solved.

NFL SUPERPRO #5 $1.25
B. Dixon/Delbo/DeCarlo
SuperPro takes on the Headhunters, who kidnap star football players. Look for guest-shots by your favorite real-life football stars.

Pan vs. Hook

NEVER-NEVER-LAND, Dec. 10: Peter Pan has finally grown up, and forgotten all about Never-Never-Land. He even has children of his own--that is, until they're kidnapped by his arch-nemesis, Captain Hook!

It's up to Peter to save them. But can he regain the magic he once possessed?

Answers will be found in the Tri-Star movie starring **Robin Williams, Dustin Hoffman** and **Julia Roberts,** and in the **Marvel** adaptation written and inked by **Charles Vess** with pencils by **John Ridgway, Ron Randall, Gray Morrow, Denis Rodier, Anna Maria Cool, Ray Lago,** and **Craig Hamilton.**

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THE PIRATES OF DARK WATER #4 (OF 9) $1.25

Zimmerman/Zick/Gil

Ren and his allies start a revolt by enslaved monkey-birds against their villainous humanoid masters. Based on the cartoon series.

PUNISHER GRAPHIC NOVEL: BLOOD ON THE MOORS $16.95

Grant & Wagner/Kennedy

The Punisher follows the trail of a major drugs supplier to Scotland, where he finds more than he anticipated in the form of a supernatural spirit known as the Clansman. But is he a friendly spirit? Moody artwork by Scot Cam Kennedy and a fantastic fight on the Scottish moors.

SHE-HULK #36 $1.25

Byrne/Byrne/K. Williams

In a special Christmas story Jen visits her father in California and learns what the present was that Santa--oops, we mean, Nick St. Christopher gave her back in issue 8.

UNCANNY X-MEN #285 $1.25

Portacio & Byrne/ Portacio/ Thibert

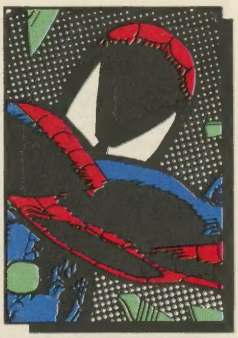
The mystery of the Predator in the Dark leads the X-Men into a dangerously chaotic "cyber-fantasy" world.

WEB OF SPIDER-MAN #85 $1.25

Mackie/ Saviuk/ Williams

THE NAME OF THE ROSE PART 2 (OF 6)

The Triad Brothers menace Peter Parker, while the Hobgoblin waits for his turn to strike as the drama featuring the Kingpin and the Rose continues.



Titles on sale the second week of December

ALF #50 $1.75

Gallagher/Manak/Severin

Everyone you've ever seen in the *ALF* comic returns for the giant-size fiftieth anniversary, and *final*, issue.

ALPHA FLIGHT #105 $1.75

Lobdell/Morgan/Ivy

You're invited to a bachelor party for Box to celebrate his engagement to Diamond Lil!

AMAZING SPIDER-MAN #359 $1.25

Michelinie/ Marrinan/ Emberlin

Cover by Bagley and Emberlin

Cardiac returns to carry out his brand of vigilante justice, while Cletus Kasady's connection with Venom is revealed.

AMERICAN TAIL II: FIEVEL GOES WEST #3 (of 3) $1.00

Chichester/G. Wildman

Out West Fievel rides to the rescue of the mice menaced by the evil Cat R. Waul in the finale of this adaptation of the new animated film.

BARBIE #14 $1.25

Trusiani & Slate/ Conner/Albrecht

Barbie visits a county fair, where she runs in a race and helps save another fairgoer's life.

BILL & TED'S EXCELLENT COMIC BOOK #3 $1.25

Dorkin/ Dorkin/DeStefano

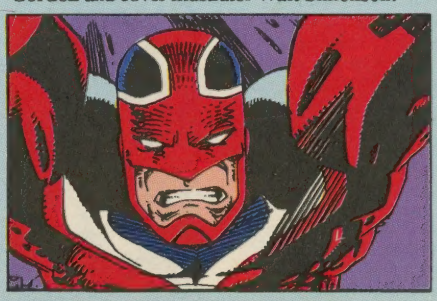
A look at one of the not-so-typical "Daze in the Lives" of our definitely untypical heroes as they deal with their newfound fame.

British scientist unleashes extraterrestrial menace

LONDON, Dec. 3: The British scientific community is outraged at the suggestion that one of their number has revived a menace that could endanger the entire planet Earth.

The **Weird Happenings Organisation** (WHO) released proof that Dr. Jonothan Cayre awoke the Airwalker, former Galactus herald, and in the process was infected with a bizarre extraterrestrial virus. ***Excalibur*** is investigating.

No photos are yet available, so ***Excalibur Special Edition*** writer **Scott Lobdell** was joined by several artists to record the action: **Rick Leonardi** and **Joe Rubinstein** (Phoenix), **Erik Larsen** (Capt. Britain), **Jackson Guice** and **Tom Palmer** (Meggan/Coldblood), **Brian Stelfreeze** and **Karl Storey** (Nightcrawler), **Ron Lim** and**Al Gordon** and cover illustrator **Walt Simonson.**



THE DESTROYER #3 $1.95

Murphy /Morrow

Cover by Walter Simonson

The Destroyer fights his climactic battle against Chiun's evil disciple Nuihc.

GHOST RIDER #22 $1.75

Mackie/ Texeira

While the Ghost Rider searches for his archfoe Deathwatch, ninja assassins stalk Danny's friends. **For more on the Ghost Rider, read our next item.**

GHOST RIDER/ WOLVERINE/ PUNISHER: HEARTS OF DARKNESS $4.95

Mackie/ Romita Jr./Janson

It would take the greatest of evils to stand against the combined power of Ghost Rider, the Punisher, and Wolverine. And that's exactly what they have to face--Blackheart, the demonic son of Mephisto!

GROO THE WANDERER #86 $1.00

Aragones/Evanier

The bizarre story of a town that has only two doors into it - because of Groo. EPIC

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Prof. Charles Xavier: Man of the Year

NEW YORK, Dec. 17: **Prof. Charles Xavier,** founder of the **X-Men,** beat out Soviet Pres. Boris Yeltsin to become Man of the Year in the cover story of the ***Marvel Year-In-Review.***

Asked if he was surprised at the news, Xavier replied, "No, I was aware of what the judges were thinking all along."

Other features in this year's issue include reports on the **Fall of the Kingpin** and the ***X-Men*** Tour de Force, a "Separated at Birth" section, and the eagerly awaited lists of the Best and Worst Dressed in the Marvel Universe. Illustrator **Art Adams** produced the cover spotlighting the ***X-Men.***

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HOOK #1 (of 4)
$1.00

Vess/ Ridgway, Rodler, Cool/ Vess

Part 1 of the standard comic book format adaptation of this year's holiday blockbuster film, Peter Pan, now an adult, faces the return of his arch-foe!

MARVEL COMICS #95
$1.50

Covers by Sam Kieth and Todd Fox

1) Wolverine (Part 3 of 6)
Truman/Foxx/Kwapisz
Wolverine clashes with a monster from American Indian mythology.

2) Nova (Part 3 of 4)
Flaxman/Curtis
Galactus's fiery female herald battles the commander of an entire space fleet.

3) Hulk
Fingeroth/Sparling

4) Ghost Rider and Cable (Part 6 of 8)
Mackie/Yap
Cable and Ghost Rider face the Warriors of the Undead!

POWER PACK HOLIDAY SPECIAL
$2.25

L. Simonson/ Brigman/ Richardson

The writer and artist who created the series return in a special Christmas story that ties up the loose ends from the much-lauded *Power Pack* series.

PUNISHER TRADE PAPERBACK: EYE FOR AN EYE
$9.95

Potts/Lee
New cover by Jim Lee

A new trade paperback collecting the first three rare issues of *Punisher War Journal*, recounting his origin, and featuring a brand new interview with the writer and artist of the stories--Epic's Carl Potts and *X-Men*'s Jim Lee!

QUASAR
$1.25

Gruenwald/ Capullo/ Candelario

Here's the biggest surprise of the month, as Quasar becomes the very first Marvel Universe character to travel into-- the New Universe!

SAVAGE SWORD OF CONAN #194
$2.25

Thomas/ J. Buscema/ Chan

Conan gives an emperor a gift which unexpectedly kills him, making Conan a wanted man! Then, in part one of a new storyline, Conan may marry a woman known as Li-Zya.

SLEEPWALKER #9
$1.25

Budiansky/ Blevins/Manley

Enter Lullaby, a woman who can sing anyone - even Sleepwalker - to sleep with the power of her voice.

SPIDER-MAN SAGA #4 (of 4)
$2.95

Herdling/Various
Cover by Steve Lightle

Spidey's official biography reaches the present day, focusing on his ongoing feuds with Venom and the Hobgoblin!

THE TOMB OF DRACULA #4 (of 4)
$4.95

Wolfman/Colan/Williamson

Unless he can defeat his ancestor Dracula, not only may Frank Drake perish, but so may the entire world!

EPIC

TOXIC AVENGER #11
$1.50

Moench/Ramos/Mayerik

DIE, YUPPIE SCUM
PART 2 (OF 2)

It looks like the end for Tromaville, as the yuppies take over. It's the end of this series as well, but watch out, because ***Toxic Crusaders #1*** will debut in just three months!

WOLVERINE #51
$1.75

Hama/Silvestri/Green

Linus the serial killer returns, Elsie Dee gets her new body, and Wolverine contends with the startling revelations about his origin from last issue. **Wolverine also turns up this month in *Hearts of Darkness*, *Namor* #23 and *Marvel Comics Presents.***

WONDER MAN #6
$1.25

Jones/Johnson/Harps

It's up to Wonder Man to defend Los Angeles and its prosperity against Rampage and his Recession Raiders. Guest starring the Beast.

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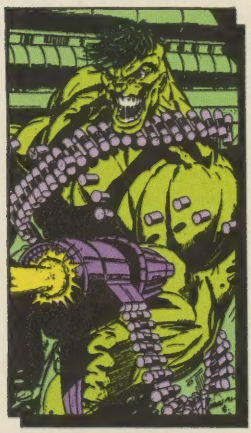
AVENGERS #344 $1.25

Harras/Epting/Palmer
Storm clouds begin to gather, foreshadowing the outer space war between the Kree and Shi'ar Empires that begins next issue, launching 1992's first crossover epic!

CONAN THE BARBARIAN #253 $1.25

Thomas/Docherty/Chan
Conan continues his war against the X-Men's sorcerer foe Kulan Gath.



DOCTOR WHO #181 $4.50

Cartmel/Sullivan & Rayner
Cover by Lee Sullivan
This issue features part one of a battle between the Daleks and the Cybermen, and in a second tale Ace is held prisoner on a distant planet. All this and a poster featuring all Seven Doctors.

DOCTOR WHO UNIT SPECIAL $4.50

Abnett/ B. Williamson
Cover by Richard Piers Rayner
The Doctor's archfoe, the Master, makes his first appearance in a Marvel Who comic. He attempts to escape from UNIT, the organization that has aided the Doctor against many of his alien foes.

EXCALIBUR #47 $1.75

Davis/ Davis/ Farmer
Excalibur gains a brand new member, Cerise, as Captain Britain confronts Roma and learns more about the true origin of the *Excalibur* team.

G.I. JOE #121 $1.25

Hama/A. Wildman/Emberlin
The Baroness has betrayed Destro, so it's up to the Joes to save him from Slice & Dice and the Vipers.

GUARDIANS OF THE GALAXY #21 $1.25

Valentino/Valentino/Montano
Cover by Valentino & Liefeld
Can Wolverine still be alive in the Guardians' 31st Century future? Rancor and her evil mutants are determined to find out.

INCREDIBLE HULK #390 $1.25

David/Keown/Farmer
WAR AND PIECES --PART 1 (OF 3)
The Hulk and the Pantheon begin their war against the head of Trans-Saba, and X-Factor makes a cameo appearance (foreshadowing their guest star roles in future issues). **The Hulk guest stars this month with Deathlok in *Spider-Man* #19.**

MARVEL AGE #109 $1.00

Spotlighting the new CAGE series, starring the Hero for Hire - Luke Cage, who also appears in this month's *Punisher.*

MARVEL TALES #258 $1.25

Cover by Klaus Janson
Stern/Romita Jr./Giacoia
Part 2 of the origin of the original Hobgoblin, from *Amazing Spider-Man* # 239. **For more of the Hobgoblin's past, see *Spider-Man Saga* #4. And for more of his present, read this month's *Spider-Man* and *Web of Spider-Man.***

MARVEL YEAR--IN-REVIEW 1991 $3.95

Cover by Art Adams
Our annual roundup of the year's events in the Marvel Universe, featuring Professor Xavier as Man of the Year, and an assortment of crazy "ads" featuring Marvel characters.

PUNISHER #60 $1.25

Baron/Mayerik/Williamson
In the first of a three-part story, the wounded Punisher, hunted by his enemies, has undergone plastic surgery to disguise himself. Guest starring Luke Cage, in a prelude to the upcom-ing *CAGE* series. **For more *Punisher* excite-ment, look for the *Eye for an Eye* trade paperback.**

PUNISHER: BLOODLINES $5.95

Conway/ Cockrum/ Albrecht
The writer who co-created the Punisher returns in a tale in which drug lords murder some of the Punisher's friends, driving him once more to vengeance. **The Punisher in *Moon Knight* #35.**

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Trial of the millennium

MILKY WAY, Dec. 17--"Is this man truly fit to wield the powers of a god?"

That was the question facing the most powerful beings in the universe at the trial of cosmic champion **Adam Warlock.** In his recent victory against Thanos, Warlock had taken the dark Titan's greatest weapon, the **Infinity Gauntlet.**

Now it is up to the all-powerful Living Tribunal to decide if Warlock can wield it wisely, or if its power will drive him to madness!

This courtroom drama marks the debut of the new series ***Warlock and the Infinity Watch*** by **Jim Starlin, Angel Medina** and **Terry Austin.**

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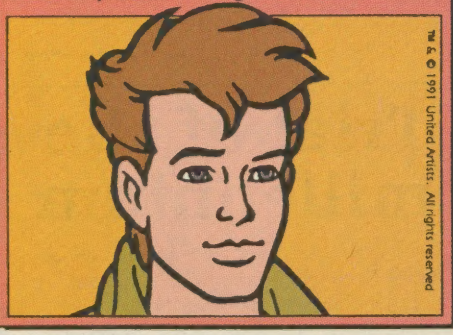
School scandal for superspy nephew?

NEAR LONDON, Jan. 2: His name is Bond, ***James Bond, Jr.***

Young Bond is attending a school for the sons and daughters of some of Britain's most famous personalities. He is also said to be leading them in unusual and dangerous adventures.

Asked why, young Bond replied, "Why not? You only live twice."

These thrilling exploits are fully covered in the new ***James Bond, Jr.*** series by **Cal Hamilton** and **Mario Capaldi** based on the animated TV series in syndication throughout the colonies.



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SHIELD #32 $1.75

Chichester/Stiner/Hudson

Nick Fury fights against his own rapid aging and growing insanity to try to beat Leviathan to the only thing that can cure him--the Infinity Formula.

SPIDER-MAN #19 $1.75

Larsen[3]

REVENGE OF THE SINISTER SIX - PART 2 (OF 5)

If the master villains known as the Sinister Six weren't more than enough for Spidey to deal with, he's also got to contend with Solo and the Hulk!

WARLOCK AND THE INFINITY WATCH #1 $1.75

Starlin/ Medina /Austin

It's said that absolute power corrupts absolutely. So what will happen to Adam Warlock now that he possesses the Infinity Gems Thanos used to destroy half the living beings in the cosmos in ***Infinity Gauntlet?***

WHAT IF..? #34 $1.25

Cover by John Romita

You've always wanted to see "The Adventures of Spider-Baby." And you can't go to sleep at night without asking "What if Galactus became Elvis Presley?" These earth-shattering questions and more will be answered in this special all-laffs issue.

X-FACTOR #75 $1.75

David/Stroman/Milgrom

In a double-sized issue, we meet the Nasty Boys, a new team of villains, while Mr. Sinister and Ricochet continue their conspiracies, and X-Factor has to defend itself against the most formidable opponent of all --the United States Senate.

X-MEN #5 $1.25

Lee & Byrne/Lee/Williams

Longshot returns to do battle with his archfoe Mojo, while the X-Men have to rescue Wolverine from the sinister ninjas of the Hand. Plus more on the mystery behind Omega Red.

Titles on sale the fourth week of December

BARBIE FASHION #14 $1.25

Trusiani & Robbins/ Cool & Brock/ Albrecht & Mushynsky

Barbie encounters a rival model and a practical joker.

DEATHLOK #8 $1.75

Wright/Hebert/Palmiotti

Cover by Jackson Guice

Two of Deathlok's adversaries from his limited series, Mainframe and Ben Jacobs, plot to turn Deathlok back into a war machine under their personal control.

Deathlok appears soon in *Spider-Man* #20-21.

DOCTOR STRANGE #38 $1.75

Thomas/Isherwood/Sanders

FEAR LORDS EPIC - PART 1 (OF 4)

Doctor Strange duels the greatest of the Fear Lords, the enigmatic being called the Dweller in Darkness. **Doc also heads out to California to aid the *Avengers West Coast* against Satannish this month.**

DREADLANDS #2 (of 4) $3.95

Lanning & White/ Gascoigne

Our time-traveling scientists have their hands full fighting dinosaurs when alien invaders show up as well. EPIC

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Kid 'N Play

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 2: Top rap musicians **Kid 'N' Play** already have their own Saturday morning animated TV series and have starred in the two smash hit ***House Party*** movies.

Their eager public has wondered what worlds Kid 'N' Play would conquer next?

Today they got the answer. ***Kid'N' Play*** will star in their own comedy/drama monthly comic series, written by **Dwight Coye**, drawn by **Chuck Frazier**, inked by **Ron Boyd.**

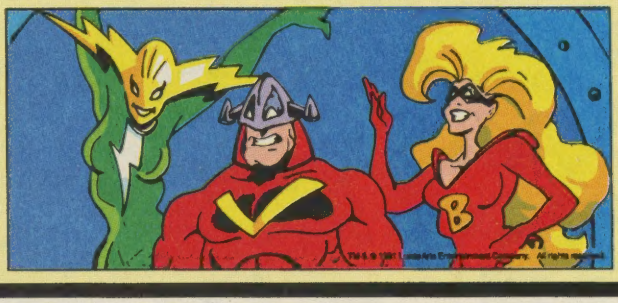
More titles on sale the third week of December

Mayhem Strikes Dynatron City!

DYNATRON CITY, Jan. 2: It all began with a nasty old teacher, the kind we've all known once. But this one lived in **Dynatron City,** site of the world's first atomic-powered sewage plant.

Before anyone knew it, the teacher had become the villainous **Dr. Mayhem,** and had accidentally created a brand new team of *super heroes.* There was their leader, **Monkey Boy,** with his amazing Banana Belt! There were **Tool Box, Buzz Saw Girl, Jett Headstrong** (who literally loses his head), **Miss MegaWatt,** and **Radium Dog,** the canine with the atomic bite!

Together they became the *Defenders of Dynatron City,* stars of Lucasfilm's game for the Nintendo system, an upcoming TV special and their own six-issue limited **Marvel** series, written by **Steve Purcell, Frank Cirocco** and **Mark McKenna.**



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HOOK #2 (of 4)
$1.00
Vess/ Lago, Rodier, Cool/ Vess
The movie adaptation continues as Peter must return to Never-Never Land to rescue his children from Hook.

METROPOL #11
$2.95
1) Diagram of the Heart Pumping Blood
Ted McKeever
The "Angels Who Watch" take measures to stop their bodies from decaying.
2) Playing with Coal--Part 3 (of 3) --
McKeever/Mignola
Eddie Current ends up in the middle of a war between the Angels and Demons in Metropol. EPIC

MARVEL REQUIRER #23
FREE!
Get lots of copies. Put them in Mylar bags. They'll be collector's items someday. Trust us.

MOON KNIGHT #35
$1.75
Kavanagh/Garney/Palmer
BLOOD BROTHERS: THE RETURN OF RANDALL SPECTOR--PART 1 (OF 4)
Moon Knight's brother was an axe murderer. He was also thought to be dead. But he's not. And the Punisher is out to correct that situation.

THE 'NAM #65
$1.75
Dixon/Heath
Ice and Speed take on a seemingly unbeatable Viet Cong sniper.

OFFICIAL HANDBOOK OF THE MARVEL UNIVERSE MASTER EDITION #15
$4.50
Sanderson, Ward & Kaminski/Pollard/ Rubinstein
The Ghost Rider and the Avengers get feature pages, while regular entries star such characters as Rogue, Saturnyne, Crystal, Deathurge, and the original Hate-Monger.

PUNISHER WAR JOURNAL #39
$1.75
C. Dixon/Wagner/Ramos
For Christmas, the Punisher tackles a serial killer in the rugged wilderness of the Rocky Mountains. **Look for the Punisher this month in *Moon Knight #35, Hearts of Darkness*, the *Eye for an Eye* paperback and in *Bloodlines*.**

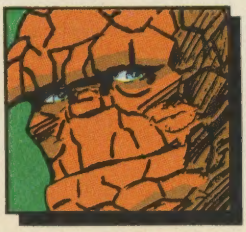
X-FORCE #7
$1.25
Liefeld& Nicieza/Liefeld
RAIN OF EVIL --PART 3 (OF 3)
The grand finale of X-Force's war against the new Brotherhood of Evil Mutants!

Titles on sale the fourth week of December

CAPTAIN PLANET #5 (of 12)
$1.25
Dutter/Brasfield/Albrecht
Cap and the Planeteers are trapped in the environmental disaster theme park Pollution-Land.

CONAN SAGA #59
$2.25
Cover by Earl Norem
1) Road of Eagles
Thomas/J. Buscema/ DeZuniga
Conan versus vampires!
2) Island of Pirates--Part 1 (of 4)
Thomas/J. Buscema/ Bulanadi
Beginning an adventure of Conan's swordswoman ally Valeria.

DEFENDERS OF DYNATRON CITY #1 (of 6)
$1.25
Purcell/Cirocco/McKenna
Meet the most unusual band of super heroes ever! Monkey Boy,Tool Box, Buzz Saw Girl, Jett Headstrong, Miss MegaWatt, and Radium Dog - the stars of this brand new limited series based on the video game designed by Lucasfilm Games for the Nintendo system!



FANTASTIC FOUR #361
$1.25
DeFalco/Ryan/Sinnott
In the Christmas story, "Miracle on Yancy Street," the Thing and Ms. Marvel (Sharon Ventura) return to Ben's old neighborhood to help the kids there do battle against drugs.

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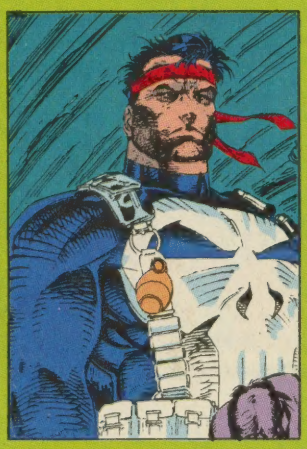
More titles on sale the fourth week of December

Punisher: Increased Sightings of America's Most Wanted Vigilante



WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 2--Reports claim the **Punisher** is engaged in a whirlwind of activity in his war against crime. "He's everywhere!" exclaimed an FBI source.

According to ***Hearts of Darkness*** by **Howard Mackie, John Romita Jr.** and **Klaus Janson**, he has teamed up with fellow outlaws **Wolverine** and **Ghost Rider** against the demon Blackheart!

In the hardcover ***Blood On the Moors,*** UK correspondants **Alan Grant, John Wagner** and **Cam Kennedy** record more supernatural activities in the Scottish highlands.

The Punisher set out to avenge the murder of close friends in the book-shelf format report ***Punisher: Bloodlines*** by **Gerry Conway, Dave Cockrum,** and **Jeff Albrecht.**

And classic ***Punisher*** accounts by **Carl Potts** and **Jim Lee**, are again available in the ***Punisher: Eye for an Eye*** trade paperback.

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IRON MAN #277 $1.25

Byrne/Ryan/Wiacek
The conclusion of the Black Widow storyline, as she and Iron Man race to stop a Soviet "sleeper" agent from triggering a worldwide nuclear conflagration.

JAMES BOND, JR. #2 $1.25

Hamilton/ Capaldi
James Jr. follows in his famous father's footsteps as a master spy in the second issue of this new adventure series based on the hot cartoon series.

KID 'N PLAY #1 $1.25

Coye/ Frazier/ Boyd
It's both a hilarious comedy and a serious look at the problems of growing up in this new comic starring the famous rap duo Kid 'n' Play from the ***House Party*** movies.

MARVEL COMICS #96 $1.50

1) Wolverine --Part 3(of 6)
Truman/Foxx/Kwapisz
More on the possible origin of Wolverine's costume.

2) Nova--Part 4 (of 4)
Flaxman/ Curtis
Nova resolves her clash with the space fleet.

3) Speedball
Lobdell/ Janson
The New Warrior stars in a new solo story.

4) Ghost Rider & Cable --Part 7(of 8)
Mackie/ Yap
Cable and Ghost Rider head into the climax of their war with the undead.

NEW WARRIORS #20 $1.25

Nicieza/Bagley/Mahlstedt
The events of this turning point issue will lead to changes in the Warriors' lineup. First, Marvel Boy has a violent confrontation with his father that tragically changes both their lives. Meanwhile, the other New Warriors take on the criminal yakuza of the Clan Yashida in Japan.

SILVER SURFER #62 $1.25

Marz/Lim/Christopher
The Surfer competes with the sinister cosmic Collection Agency to find the virus that could wipe out all life in the universe.

SPECTACULAR SPIDER-MAN #185 $1.25

DeMatteis/Sal Buscema
Maybe Spidey would prefer a dose of his usual angst after he gets through with this issue's loony guest stars, the would-be heroic Frog-Man and the absurdist villainy of the White Rabbit!

THOR #444 $1.25

DeFalco/ Frenz/ Milgrom
A special Christmas story in which Thor must stop a Grinch-like Deviant who's stealing everyone's Christmas presents.

X-MEN CLASSIC #68 $1.25

Claremont/Cockrum/Wiacek
Cover by Mike Mignola
Carol Danvers, the original Ms. Marvel, becomes the cosmic super-heroine Binary in this tale originally presented in *Uncanny X-Men* #164.